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Title: **IMAGE NEUROGRAPHY AND DIFFUSION ANISOTROPY IMAGING****SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116** X COPY RECEIVED

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**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

As a result of a telephonic conference with Examiner Casler on April 11, 1996, applicants request amendment of the above-identified patent application as follows.

**In the Claims:**

Please amend Claim 89 as follows:

89. (Four Times Amended) A method of utilizing magnetic resonance to determine the shape and position of mammal tissue, said method including the steps of:

- (a) exposing an *in vivo* region of a subject to a magnetic polarizing field, the *in vivo* region including non-neural tissue and a nerve, the nerve including epineurium and perineurium and being a member of the group consisting of peripheral nerves, cranial nerves numbers three through twelve, and autonomic nerves [and not being limited to portions of such nerves that are within dura mater or cerebrospinal fluid];
- (b) exposing the *in vivo* region to an electromagnetic excitation field;
- (c) sensing a resonant response of the *in vivo* region to the polarizing and excitation fields and producing an output indicative of the resonant response;

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